

HONORING HAWTHORNE 150 YEARS AFTER HIS DEATH

FULL SCHEDULE OF MEMORIAL EVENTS

Sunday, May 18, 1:30 pm

Celebrating Nathaniel Hawthorne: The Hawthorne Family Making Concord Home

1:30 pm: The Old Manse, 269 Monument Street, Concord

3:15 pm: The Wayside, 455 Lexington Road, Concord
Join the staff at The Old Manse and at Minute Man National Historical Park to celebrate the life and work of Nathaniel Hawthorne in the two places in Concord he and his family called home. Tour The Old Manse where Hawthorne and his wife Sophia settled as newlyweds. The Hawthornes bought The Wayside as a family with three children; learn how they made the house a home and about the restoration effort underway today. Free.

Reservations are suggested for The Old Manse. Please call 978-369-3909.

Due to renovations at The Wayside, the talk will occur outside near the house.

Tuesday, May 20, 6:00 pm

Dark Romantics: Hawthorne and Poe

Garden at the North Bridge Visitor Center, 174 Liberty Street, Concord

Literary historian Rob Velella will be speaking about how Nathaniel Hawthorne and Edgar Allan Poe stood apart from the general Romantic movement of the 19th century, as well as their personal interactions and how they viewed each other's writing. Sponsored by Minute Man National Park. Free.

Wednesday, May 21, 6:30 pm

Hawthorne's Sleepy Hollow

Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, 34 Bedford Street, Concord

Join Gatepost Tours for this mild walk through historic Sleepy Hollow Cemetery. Visit the resting place of Nathaniel Hawthorne as well as his family and friends, and learn of their connections. No parking on-site; visitors are encouraged to park in a municipal lot. Free.

Thursday, May 22, 7:00 pm

All This Wild Freedom: The Friendship of Nathaniel Hawthorne and Henry Thoreau

Thoreau Farm/Birthplace of Henry David Thoreau, 341 Virginia Road, Concord

For 20 years, two of America's premier writers, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Henry Thoreau, maintained what seemed an unlikely friendship. On the surface the two men appeared radically different—one a successful, famous novelist who traveled the world, the other a little-known writer who "cultivated" obscurity and stayed in Concord as much as possible. How did Hawthorne and Thoreau's friendship start, and, despite the two men's differences, how did it last for 20 years? In Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the

death of Nathaniel Hawthorne, The Thoreau Farm Trust and The Thoreau Society are pleased to present a lecture by historian Richard Smith on the friendship of Hawthorne and Thoreau. Presented by historian Richard Smith. Free.

Friday, May 23, and Saturday, May 24, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm

Hawthorne and Emerson

Ralph Waldo Emerson House, 28 Cambridge Turnpike, Concord

Tour the home of Ralph Waldo Emerson and learn about his associations with Nathaniel Hawthorne. Tours throughout the day. Admission fee: \$9 general admission; \$7 for seniors.

Friday, May 23, 6:00 pm

Nathaniel Hawthorne Memorial

Begins at First Parish in Concord, 20 Lexington Road, Concord

The main event of the week is this program held on the 150th anniversary of Hawthorne's memorial service and follows a pattern that evokes that historic event. Commemorative readings of work by Hawthorne's contemporaries at First Parish will be followed by a walk with us to the Hawthorne plot at Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, followed by a reception at The Old Manse with refreshments. Free and open to the public.

Saturday, May 24, 11:00 am

Nathaniel Hawthorne Commemorative Reading Discussion Group

Concord Free Public Library, 129 Main Street, Concord

Participants will read and discuss the introduction to Nathaniel Hawthorne's *Mosses from an Old Manse* (1846). Held in the Special Collections room, lower level of the main library, led by Leslie Wilson, Curator of William Munroe Special Collections, in collaboration with Barbara Ewen of the Friends of Sleepy Hollow Cemetery. Free, but space is limited and registration is required. Please call 978-318-3342. Readings can be sent electronically.

Saturday, May 24, 4:45 pm

Welcome to Our Home: A Living History Program

Louisa May Alcott's Orchard House, 399 Lexington Road, Concord

Your visit to Orchard House becomes a trip to the past as you have an interactive tour with an expert, authentically costumed guide portraying Julian Hawthorne, son of the novelist, who lived for a time next door at The Wayside. Admission fee: \$12 adults; \$10 seniors/college students; \$8 youths (6-17 years); \$4 children (2-6 years), half price for members. Space is limited; reservations & pre-payment strongly suggested. 978-369-4118 x106.